

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **Department of Education State School Fund Modernization**

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To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Education Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Frederick

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On February 14th, the Education Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Department of Education on replace the system relied upon to calculate and process State School Fund distributions.

Making State School Fund payments to Oregon school districts is foundational to the Department's work, and the system used to calculate those payments is well past the end of its useful life and must be replaced. A budget note in the agency's primary budget bill directed the Department to work with the Department of Administrative Services' Enterprise Information Systems to begin an IT project to replace the State School Fund system and to report back to the Legislature on its progress.

The Department provided a high-level report describing the modernization project. It describes the need to replace the system, the analysis done to date on the various methods of replacing the system, and an estimated project scope, timeline, and cost for replacement. This report was not accompanied by a funding request for the 2024 legislative session, as the project is in its initial planning stage and requires a more robust analysis of requirements. The Subcommittee provided direction to report back to the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology during the upcoming interim with additional details that will support a future budget request.

The Education Subcommittee recommends approval.